Amendments to and listing of the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

- 1. (Currently amended) A method for purifying single-wall carbon nanotubes comprising the steps of:
 - (a) oxidizing a single-wall carbon nanotube material in an oxidizing gaseous atmosphere, wherein the oxidizing gaseous atmosphere comprises a gas selected from the group consisting of oxygen, carbon dioxide, and mixtures thereof; and
 - (b) treating the single-wall carbon nanotube material with a halogen-containing gas subsequent to the step of oxidizing.
- 2. (Cancelled)
- 3. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the oxidizing gaseous atmosphere comprises water vapor.
- 4. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the oxidizing gaseous atmosphere comprises oxygen and water vapor.
- 5. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the oxidizing gaseous atmosphere comprises carbon dioxide.
- 6. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the oxidizing step is performed at a temperature between about 200°C and about 500°C.
- 7. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the halogen-containing gas comprises a halogen-containing compound selected from the group consisting of chlorine, bromine, fluorine, iodine, HCl, HBr, HF, HI, and combinations thereof.
- 8. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the halogen-containing gas comprises HCl.
- 9. (Currently amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the halogen-containing gas comprises a halogen-containing compound at a concentration between about 1 vol% and about 100 vol% of the halogen-containing halogen-containing gas.

10. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the treating step is preformed at a pressure of at least about 1 Torr.

- 11. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the treating step is performed at a temperature between about 400°C and about 850°C.
- 12. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1 further comprising reducing the single-wall carbon nanotube material with a gas comprising hydrogen gas.
- 13. (Previously presented) The method of claim 12, wherein the reducing step is performed at a temperature between about 250°C and about 500°C.
- 14. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1 further comprising annealing the single-wall carbon nanotube material.
- 15. (Previously presented) The method of claim 14, wherein the annealing step is performed at a temperature between about 600°C and about 1000°C.
- 16. (Currently amended) The method of elaim 14, wheren A method for purifying single-wall carbon nanotubes comprising:
 - (a) oxidizing a single-wall carbon nanotube material in an oxidizing gaseous atmosphere;
 - (b) treating the single-wall carbon nanotube material with a halogen-containing gas; and
 - (c) annealing the single-wall carbon nanotube material, wherein the annealing step is performed in a vacuum.
- 17. (Previously presented) The method of claim 14 wherein the annealing step is performed with an annealing gas comprising a gas selected from the group consisting of carbon dioxide, inert gases, nitrogen, and combinations thereof.
- 18. (Currently amended) The method of claim 17, A method for purifying single-wall carbon nanotubes comprising:
 - (a) oxidizing a single-wall carbon nanotube material in an oxidizing gaseous atmosphere;
 - (b) treating the single-wall carbon nanotube material with a halogen-containing gas; and
 - (c) annealing the single-wall carbon nanotube material, wherein the annealing step is performed with an annealing gas comprising a gas selected from the group consisting of

carbon dioxide, inert gases, nitrogen, and combinations thereof and wherein the annealing gas <u>further</u> comprises water vapor.

- 19. (Previously presented) The method of claim 18, wherein the water vapor is at a concentration of at least about 0.5 vol% of the annealing gas.
- 20. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1 further comprising recovering the single-wall carbon nanotube material to obtain purified single-wall carbon nanotube material, wherein
 - (a) the single-wall carbon nanotube material comprises single-wall carbon nanotubes, amorphous carbon, and a metallic impurity, and
 - (b) the amorphous carbon is present in an amount at most about 5 wt% of the purified single-wall carbon nanotube material.
- 21. (Previously presented) The method of claim 20, wherein the amorphous carbon is present in an amount at most about 1 wt% of the purified single-wall carbon nanotube material.
- 22. (Previously presented) The method of claim 20, wherein the amorphous carbon is present in an amount at most about 0.2 wt% of the purified single-wall carbon nanotube material.
- 23. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1 further comprising recovering the singlewall carbon nanotube material to obtain purified single-wall carbon nanotube material, wherein
 - (a) the single-wall carbon nanotube material comprises single-wall carbon nanotubes, amorphous carbon, and a metallic impurity,
 - (b) the metallic impurity comprises metal; and
 - (c) the metal is present in an amount at most about 5 wt% of the purified single-wall carbon nanotube material.
- 24. (Previously presented) The method of claim 23, wherein the metal is present in an amount at most about 1 wt% of the purified single-wall carbon nanotube material.
- 25. (Previously presented) The method of claim 23, wherein the metal is present in an amount at most about 0.1 wt% of the purified single-wall carbon nanotube material.

26. (Currently amended) A method for purifying single-wall carbon nanotubes comprising the steps of:

- (a) oxidizing a single-wall carbon nanotube material comprising single-wall carbon nanotubes, amorphous carbon, and a metallic impurity in an oxidizing gaseous atmosphere, wherein the oxidizing gaseous atmosphere comprises a gas selected from the group consisting of oxygen, carbon dioxide and mixtures thereof;
- (b) reducing the single-wall carbon nanotube material with a reducing gas comprising hydrogen subsequent to the step of oxidizing; and
- (c) treating the single-wall carbon nanotube material with a halogen-containing gas subsequent to the step of reducing.

27. (Cancelled)

- 28. (Currently amended) The method of claim 2726, wherein the gas is oxygen and the oxygen is at a concentration of at least about 1 vol% of the oxidizing gaseous atmosphere.
- 29. (Previously presented) The method of claim 26, wherein the oxidizing gaseous atmosphere comprises air.
- 30. (Previously presented) The method of claim 26, wherein the oxidizing gaseous atmosphere comprises water vapor.
- 31. (Currently amended) The method of claim 30 wherein the water vapor is at <u>a</u> concentration <u>of</u> at least about 0.5 vol% of the oxidizing gaseous atmosphere.
- 32. (Previously presented) The method of claim 26, wherein the oxidizing gaseous atmosphere comprises oxygen and water vapor.
- 33. (Currently amended) The method of claim 2726, wherein the gas is oxygen and the oxygen is at a concentration between about 10 vol% and about 100 vol% of the oxidizing gaseous atmosphere.
- 34. (Previously presented) The method of claim 26, wherein the oxidizing gaseous atmosphere comprises carbon dioxide.

35. (Currently amended) The method of claim 34, wherein the carbon dioxide is at <u>a</u> concentration of at least about 1 vol% of the oxidizing gaseous atmosphere.

- 36. (Currently amended) The method of claim 2726, wherein the oxidizing gaseous atmosphere comprises an a second gas selected from the group consisting of inert gases, nitrogen, and combinations thereof.
- 37. (Previously presented) The method of claim 26, wherein the oxidizing step is performed at a temperature at least about 200°C.
- 38. (Previously presented) The method of claim 26, wherein the halogen-containing gas comprises a gas selected from the group consisting of chlorine, bromine, fluorine, iodine, HCl, HBr, HF, HI, and combinations thereof.
- 39. (Previously presented) The method of claim 26, wherein the halogen-containing gas comprises HCl.
- 40. (Previously presented) The method of claim 26, wherein the halogen-containing gas comprises a halogen-containing compound at a concentration between about 1 vol% and about 100 vol% of the halogen-containing gas.
- 41. (Previously presented) The method of claim 26, wherein the treating step is performed at a pressure between about 1 Torr and about 760 Torr.
- 42. (Previously presented) The method of claim 26, wherein the treating step is preformed at a temperature between about 400°C and about 850°C.
- 43. (Previously presented) The method of claim 26, wherein the reducing step is performed at a temperature between about 250°C and about 500°C.
- 44. (Previously presented) The method of claim 26, wherein the reducing step is performed at a pressure between about 1 Torr and about 760 Torr.
- 45. (Previously presented) The method of claim 26 further comprising annealing the single-wall carbon nanotube material.
- 46. (Previously presented) The method of claim 45, wherein the annealing step is performed at a temperature between about 600°C and about 1000°C.

47. (Currently amended) The method of claim 45, wheren wherein the annealing, step is performed in a vacuum.

- 48. (Previously presented) The method of claim 45 wherein the annealing step is performed with an annealing gas comprising a gas selected from the group consisting of carbon dioxide, inert gases, nitrogen, and combinations thereof.
- 49. (Previously presented) The method of claim 48, wherein the annealing gas comprises water vapor.
- 50. (Previously presented) The method of claim 49, wherein the water vapor is at a concentration of at least about 0.5 vol% of the annealing gas.
- 51. (Previously presented) The method of claim 26 further comprising recovering the single-wall carbon nanotube material to obtain purified single-wall carbon nanotube material, wherein the amorphous carbon is present in an amount at most about 5 wt% of the purified single-wall carbon nanotube material.
- 52. (Previously presented) The method of claim 51, wherein the amorphous carbon is present in an amount at most about 1 wt% of the purified single-wall carbon nanotube material.
- 53. (Previously presented) The method of claim 51, wherein the amorphous carbon is present in an amount at most about 0.2 wt% of the purified single-wall carbon nanotube material.
- 54. (Previously presented) The method of claim 26 further comprising recovering the single-wall carbon nanotube material to obtain purified single-wall carbon nanotube material, wherein
 - (a) the metallic impurity comprises metal, and
 - (b) the metal is present in an amount at most about 5 wt% of the purified single-wall carbon nanotube material.
- 55. (Previously presented) The method of claim 54, wherein the metal is present in an amount at most about 1 wt% of the purified single-wall carbon nanotube material.
- 56. (Previously presented) The method of claim 54, wherein the metal is present in an amount at most about 0.1 wt% of the purified single-wall carbon nanotube material.

- 57.-68. (Cancelled)
- 69. (Currently amended) A method for purifying carbon nanotubes comprising the steps of:
 - (a) oxidizing a carbon nanotube material in an oxidizing gaseous atmosphere, wherein the oxidizing gaseous atmosphere comprises a gas selected from the group consisting of oxygen, carbon dioxide and mixtures thereof; and
 - (b) treating the carbon nanotube material with a halogen-containing gas subsequent to the step of oxidizing.
- 70. (Currently amended) A method for purifying carbon nanotubes comprising the steps of:
 - (a) oxidizing a carbon nanotube material comprising carbon nanotubes, amorphous carbon, and a metallic impurity in an oxidizing gaseous atmosphere, wherein the oxidizing gaseous atmosphere comprises a gas selected from the group consisting of oxygen, carbon dioxide and mixtures thereof;
 - (b) reducing the carbon nanotube material with a reducing gas comprising hydrogen subsequent to the step of oxidizing; and
 - (c) treating the carbon nanotube material with a halogen-containing gas subsequent to the step of reducing.